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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2290

Introduced by Assembly Member Santiago

February 18, 2016

An act to add Section 60605.5 to the Education Code, relating to pupil instruction.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2290, as amended, Santiago. Pupil instruction: world languages: revision of content standards.

Existing law requires the State Board of Education, on or before June 1, 2009, to adopt content standards for teaching foreign languages in kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, pursuant to recommendations developed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

This bill would authorize the Superintendent to recommend revisions to the World Language Content Standards for California Public Schools, adopted pursuant to the above requirement, to the state board and would require the state board to adopt, reject, or modify the recommendations on or before ~~July 31, 2018~~ *January 31, 2019*. The bill would require the state board to explain, in writing, to the Governor and the Legislature the reasons for modifying the recommended revised content standards. The bill would require the Superintendent, in consultation with the state board, to select a group of experts for purposes of assisting the

Superintendent in developing the recommendations. The bill would require the Superintendent to hold a minimum of 2 public hearings in order for the public to provide input on the Superintendent's recommendations and would require the state board to adopt, reject, or modify the recommendations at a subsequent public meeting. The bill would require that revisions to the World Language Content Standards for California Public Schools be incorporated into the curriculum framework and the evaluation criteria for world languages for purposes of adopting instructional materials.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 60605.5 is added to the Education Code,
2 to read:

3 60605.5. (a) The Superintendent may recommend to the state
4 board revisions to the World Language Content Standards for
5 California Public Schools adopted by the state board in 2009
6 pursuant to Section 60605.3. On or before ~~July 31, 2018~~, January
7 31, 2019, the state board shall adopt, reject, or modify any revisions
8 recommended by the Superintendent. If the state board modifies
9 any revisions recommended to these content standards, it shall
10 explain, in writing, to the Governor and the Legislature the reasons
11 for modifying the recommended revised content standards.

12 (b) In consultation with the state board, the Superintendent shall
13 select a group of experts in this subject area for purposes of
14 assisting the Superintendent in developing recommendations
15 pursuant to this section.

16 (c) (1) The Superintendent shall hold a minimum of two public
17 hearings in order for the public to provide input on the revisions
18 recommended pursuant to this section and the state board shall
19 adopt, reject, or modify those recommendations at a subsequent
20 public meeting.

21 (2) The public hearings and meetings required by this
22 subdivision shall be held pursuant to the Bagley-Keene Open
23 Meeting Act (Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of
24 Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government
25 Code).

1 (d) If the World Language Content Standards for California
2 Public Schools is revised pursuant to subdivision (a), during the
3 next revision of the corresponding curriculum framework and
4 evaluation criteria, the Instructional Quality Commission shall
5 ensure that the revisions are incorporated into that curriculum
6 framework and evaluation criteria for purposes of adopting
7 instructional materials.

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